SAUDI ARABIA

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Designated Authorities

Civil Aviation Authority

General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA)
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Jeddah 21165
Saudi Arabia

Tel: 02 640 5000 & 02 640 1100 & 02 640 3888
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Telex: 601093 CIVAIR SJ

AFS: OEJDYAYX

Air Navigation Services

General Authority of Civil Aviation
Air Navigation Services (ANS)
P. O. Box 15441
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Saudi Arabia

Tel: 02 671 7717
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Air Traffic Management (ATM)

General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA)
Air Navigation Services (ANS)
Air Traffic Management (ATM)
P.O. Box 929
Jeddah 21421
Saudi Arabia

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Fax:02 640 2855

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Safety and Economic Regulations

Aviation Standards
Flight operation

Tel: 02 685 5508 & 02 685 5369
Fax:02 685 5236

Airworthiness

Tel: 02 685 5534 & 02 685 5324
Fax:02 685 5745

Certification and licensing

Tel: 02 685 5257 & 02 685 5717
Fax:02 685 5480

Aviation medicine

Tel: 02 685 5759
Fax:02 685 5323

Technical library
Tel: 02 685 4275 & 02 685 5143

Safety

Aviation safety
Tel: 02 685 5494 & 02 685 5491
Fax:02 685 5507

Airport standards and safety

Tel: 02 685 5492
Fax:O2 685 5892

ANS safety

Tel: 02 685 5255 & 02 613 7780
Telefax:02 685 5770

Economic regulations

Air transport analysis and statistics
Tel: 02 640 5000 Ext 2438

Licensing and regulation
Tel: 02 640 5000 Ext 4161
Fax:02 640 1477 & 02 640 3876

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Agreements and Authorization
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Jeddah 21421
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Bilateral and international agreements

Tel: 02 640 5000 Ext 3384 & 3336
Fax:02 629 8897

Flight authorization
Tel: 02 640 5000 Ext 3332

Meteorology

Presidency of Meteorology and Environment (PME)
P.O. Box 1358
Jeddah 21431
Saudi Arabia

Tel: 02 651 2312 & 02 651 0368 & 02 651 1416
Fax: 02 651 1424

Telex: 601236 ARSADSJ

AFS: OEJDYMYX

Customs

Ministry of Finance
Customs Authority
King Abdulaziz Street (Ex. Airport Road)
P.O. Box 3483
Riyadh 11197

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Fax 02 651 1424

Telex: 401626CSTM

Website: www.customs.gov.sa
E-mail: webmastwr@customs.gov.sa

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601800 GD

AFS: OEJDYMY

Immigration

Ministry of Interior
Directorate General of Immigration
AL-Frzdag road
Riyadh 11184
Saudi Arabia

Tel: 01 477 1100
Fax: 01 477 8835

Telex: 403350

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405555 JAWAZ SJ

Email: info@gdg.sa

Health

Ministry of Health
Airport Road
Riyadh 11176
Saudi Arabia

Tel: 01 401 5555
Fax: 01 405 8239

Telex: 401628 HEALTH SJ
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En-route and aerodrome/heliport charges

General Authority of Civil Aviation
Fees and Charges Department
P.O. Box 887
Jeddah 21165
Saudi Arabia

Tel: 02 640 5000 & 02 640 1100 & 02 640 3888
Fax: 02 640 1477
Telex: 601093 CIVAIR SJ (English only)

AFS: OEJDYAYX

Aircraft accident investigation

Safety & Economic Regulations
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Fax:02 685 5507

Website: www.gaca.gov.sa

E-mail: Sd@gaca.gove.sa

Military / Diplomatic

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Riyadh 11124
Saudi Arabia

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Telex: 405000 KHARJI SJ (Arabic) & 405000 MFA SJ (English)

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Aviation affairs management
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King Abdulaziz road
Riyadh 11135
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Agricultural quarantine

Ministry of Agriculture
Airport Road
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Riyadh 11195
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Aeronautical Information Service (AIS)

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AFS: OEJDYNYX

Saudi Arabia Embassy to the United States

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United States Embassy to Saudi Arabia

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Web: http://riyadh.usembassy.gov/index.html

Flight Information

Airports of Entry

OEDF   King Fahd Intl
OEJN   King Abdulaziz Intl
OERK   King Khaled Intl
OEMA   Prince Mohammad Bin Abdulaziz Intl

Entry/Exit Requirements

Entry and exit requirements are for aircraft departing the United States non-stop to country of destination. These requirements do not include any technical stops. Please refer to **Technical Stop** section in **Additional Flight Information** for the country at which the technical stop will be made.

Entry and Exit documentation forms vary from country to country. In general, however, ICAO member countries will accept the following standard ICAO Annex 9 Entry/Exit documents:

- ✈ General Declaration
- ✈ Passenger Manifest
- ✈ Cargo Manifest
- ✈ Embarkation/Disembarkation Card
- ✈ Certificate of Residual Disinsection

Examples of these documents can be found at *IFIM Home>General Information>International Flying Overview> ICAO Annex 9 Entry/Exit Documents*. The acceptance of these ICAO documents must be confirmed by the appropriate AIS.

Entry Requirements (Departing the U.S.)

- ✈ File an eAPIS manifest outbound (recommend inbound at this time, too).
- ✈ File and activate international flight plan.
- ✈ Land at a designated airport of entry (AOE) – customs and immigration.

The following entry documents are required:

Passengers

→ Valid passport
→ Visa
→ Embarkation/Disembarkation Card

Pilots – Same as passengers

> *Note:* Other pilot/crewmember requirements may be applicable in lieu of those stated. Contact appropriate AIS for further clarification prior to flight.

Aircraft

→ 7 General Declarations (1 Customs, 2 Immigration, 4 Police Security).
→ 11 Passenger Manifest (1 Customs, 3 Immigration, 3 Health, 4 Police Security).
→ 4 Cargo Manifest (3 Customs, 1 Police Security).
→ Valid Permit for Non-scheduled operators

Exit Requirements (Departing Saudi Arabia)

→ Depart from an AOE
→ File eAPIS manifest if inbound to the U.S.
→ File an international flight plan
→ Call U.S. Customs at filed U.S. airport of entry
→ Embarkation/Disembarkation Card

Aircraft

→ 7 General Declarations (1 Customs, 2 Immigration, 4 Police Security).
→ 8 Passenger Manifest (1 Customs, 3 Immigration, 4 Police Security).
→ 4 Cargo Manifest (3 Customs, 1 Police Security).

Additional Flight Information

Aircraft Instruments and Equipment

Commercial air transport aircraft operating in Saudi Arabia must adhere to the provisions of ICAO Annex 6 *Operation of Aircraft*, Part I *International Commercial Air Transport Aeroplanes*, Chapter 6 (Aeroplane Instruments, Equipment and Flight Documents) and Chapter 7 (Aeroplane Communication and Navigation Equipment).

U.S. aircraft airworthiness and certification requirements may not meet other countries requirements. It is the responsibility of the pilot to determine if the aircraft meet those requirements.

The items listed below are for pilots' reference to determine if the aircraft meets minimum instrument and equipment requirements of the destination country. Additional equipment may be required to comply with the airspace navigation requirements.

Equipment to be carried by all types of flights:

→ Calibrated and adjusted magnetic compass.
→ VHF transmitter/receiver covering 118 to 137MHZ.
→ VOR receiver covering 112 to 117.795 MHZ.
→ Mode C SSR transponder 4096 Codes.

- ✈ Personal or aircraft survival beacon.
- ✈ Signaling and Survival equipment (on aircraft not able to maintain a safe altitude In the event of an engine failure) (see free online AIP for details)
- ✈ RNAV-5 - when required

All fixed wing airplanes operating within JEDDAH FIR / SAUDI airspace shall be equipped with a ACAS II system (TCAS II Software Version 7.0 RVSM Airspace).

Special Restriction: No aircraft departing from airports in Israel will be allowed to service, refuel or land at any airport within the territory of Saudi Arabia, nor will aircraft be cleared from any airport in Saudi Arabia to any airport in Israel. This restriction also applies to aircraft wishing to overfly Saudi territory to or from airports in Israel.

ICAO Documents can be purchased from ICAO at: http://store1.icao.int/

Technical Stop / Overflight

Private flights and Non-scheduled carriers may make Technical Stops or Overfly Saudi Arabia with prior permission. Permits shall be submitted to the General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA) marked for the attention of the Director of Air Transport.

Non-scheduled Flights (Charters)

If an operator intends to carry out a (series of) nonscheduled flight(s) in the territory of Saudi Arabia, it must be in possession of a valid permit to do so before departure from the preceding stop. Permits must be requested at least 3 days prior to the flight.

Private Flights

GACA Forms must be completed and submitted to the GACA Aviation Standards & Safety Department together with the following documents:

- ✈ A copy of valid Registration certificate of the Aircraft.
- ✈ A copy of valid Airworthiness certificate of the Aircraft.
- ✈ A copy of Noise certificate.
- ✈ Aircraft Insurance certificate.
- ✈ A copy of Airman Certificate and medical certificate for each flight crew member involved.
- ✈ A copy of the currency check for each flight crew member involved.

Foreign Operator Authorization Requirement Forms GACA-S&ER 110-1 (07-2008) are available at:
http://www.gaca.gov.sa/GACA/Attachments/005/a211/0245/Airwortiness_Guide_AG15_P.pdf

No flight-line transport is available for general aviation aircraft. Operators must arrange their own services.

Air Traffic Control will not accept requirements for fuel, catering, flight plan, clearance, etc. and operators or their agents are to carry out these functions through other means.

Float Planes

The IFIM staff is not aware of any Float Plane requirements or restrictions.

Light Sport Aircraft

The IFIM staff is not aware of any Light Sport Aircraft requirements or restrictions.

Fees

Users should anticipate varying fees for air navigation, landing, parking, passenger service and security.

Fuel

Fuel availability is only listed for airports of entry. Turbine JP1 and JP4, AVGAS available at OERK, OEJN and OEDF, only Jet A1 is available at OEMA. Contact appropriate airport authority for detailed information.

VFR/Night VFR

Except when otherwise authorized by the appropriate authority, the prescribed period during which VFR operations are not permitted is between sunset and sunrise, as observed at the surface.

Island Hopping

The IFIM staff is not aware of any Island Hopping requirements or restrictions.

Aeronautical Charts

Aeronautical charts may be obtained from:

General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA)
Aeronautical Information Service
P.O. Box 929
Jeddah 21421
Saudi Arabia

Tel: 02 671 7717 & 02 670 0455
       ext 1717, 1755, 1761 & 1770
Fax: 02 640 5622 & 02 629 0561

Telex: 601093 CIVAIR SJ

AFTN: OEJDYKYX

U.S. Prohibitions, Restrictions and Notices

U.S. Prohibitions, Restrictions and Notices may be found on the IFIM main page under General Information. Click HERE to open.

Country Specific Travel Information

Public Health

Aircraft-

The Government reserves the right to disinsect every aircraft coming from an area of yellow fever infection.

Please refer to the DOT website below for any current requirements.

DOT: Aircraft Disinsection Requirements

Passengers and Crew-

All persons arriving from countries infected with yellow fever must have with them a health certificate showing a current yellow fever vaccination.

Please refer to the Center for Disease Control and the World Health Organization websites below for any current requirements.

CDC: http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/saudi-arabia.htm
            http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/content/vaccinations.aspx

WHO: http://www.who.int/countries/en/

Public Holidays (2012)

Eid Al-Fitr   13 Aug to 24 Aug
National Day   23 Sep
Eid Al-Adha   20 Oct to 02 Nov

Note1: *If the national day falls on a Friday the next day (Saturday) will be declared the holiday.*
Note2: *If the national day falls on a Thursday the previous day (Wednesday) is declared as holiday.*

Pets

Saudi Arabia has restrictions on animals that may be brought into the country and permission should be obtained prior to departure. contact either a consulate/embassy of Saudi Arabia or the relevant government department in Saudi Arabia.

All dogs, regardless of breed, may enter Saudi Arabia if their importation documents describe them as "guard dogs" or "hunting dogs". Cats and dogs entering Saudi Arabia require a Veterinary Health Certificate and a dated letter from the veterinary private practitioner addressed to the Director of Customs, Saudi Arabia. Both documents must be authenticated by the Department of Agriculture Veterinary Service Office and the State Department's Authentications Office and attested by the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia. The certificate must indicate that the animal was examined and is free from disease, and confirm that rabies and other vaccines are current. Information on the name, breed, sex, color, and age of the animal must also be stated.

Birds generally require a prior import permit issued by the Saudi National Commission for Wildlife Conservation and Development (NCWCD). However, birds coming from the United States and transiting via a third country are not permitted entry in the Kingdom due to the lack of quarantine facilities and the existing virus-related import ban on all birds.

Additional Links

CIA World Factbook: https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sa.html

Aeronautical Information Publication AIP

http://www.gaca.gov.sa/GACA/Attachments/ATS/AIPGEN/PART1GENERAL.pdf

http://www.gaca.gov.sa/gaca/Attachments/.../GACAR_Section_2_Rules_of_the_Air.pdf

http://www.gaca.gov.sa/GACA/Attachments/ATS/AIPAERODROMES/OEJN.pdf

http://www.gaca.gov.sa/GACA/Attachments/ATS/AIPAERODROMES/OEMA.pdf

http://www.gaca.gov.sa/GACA/Attachments/ATS/AIPAERODROMES/OEDF.pdf

http://www.gaca.gov.sa/GACA/Attachments/ATS/AIPAERODROMES/OERK.pdf